Many Virginians Attended GameCommissioners Meeting

The Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners held in Little Rock, Arkansas, last week was well attended by Virginians. In addition to staff members of the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, personnel from the United States Forest and Soil Conservation Services also took a part in the conference.

Game biologist Stuart P. Davey, of the Virginia Game Commission, presented a paper on "Fertility and Rearing Success Measurements of Virginia Deer Herds," a report developed on the basis of his work as specialist in deer management for the Commission.

Webb Midyette, chief of the Law Enforcement Division of the Commission, presided over the law enforcement session, and Robert G. Martin, assistant chief of the Fish Division, presided over the technical fish session on the second day of the convention.

J. N. Van Alstine, of the United States Forest Service office in Roanoke, gave a paper on "Pine Plantations in Hardwood Stands Benefit Wildlife" and Dr. L. M. Dickerson, of the Soil Conservation Service, presented a report on the Availability of Shrub Lespedeza Seed in Borders."

No state in the Union can boast greater interest in bird dog field trials than the Old Dominion. During the fall and spring throughout Virginia field trial clubs give bird dog owners — and they are legion — an opportunity to have their dogs compete in the dog art of finding our number one game bird, the bobwhite quail. Thousands of dollars are spent each year on trophies to be awarded to the owners of winning dogs and entries come to the Virginia field trials from many other states.

The field trials of the Virginia Amateur Field Trial Association are among the best known both in and outside the state among amateur handlers. The club sponsors two trials a year, one in November and the other in March. These trials are run at Hawfield in Orange County, a 2884-acre farm that is ideal for the purpose.

Hawfield was formerly owned by the State Game Commission and used for farm game demonstration purposes. The present owner, Chas Lewis, is president of the Virginia Amateur Field Trial Association. With his permission, the Commission has continued to use its broad acres as a demonstration area of farm game habitat improvement. As a result of the practical farming methods used, the bobwhite quail population had grown from eight coveys in 1948 to approximately 75 coveys in 1955. These farming methods used at Hawfield are adaptable to other farms in the state whose owners would like to improve hunting conditions on their own lands — one of the finest "fringe" benefits the country dweller can enjoy.

It is very interesting to realize that some of our small game species such as the quail have thrived and increased with the coming of civilization so that today we probably have better hunting of this type than the first settlers did. It was primarily the bigger game species and those which could not adapt themselves readily to environmental changes as effectively as quail and rabbits that dwindled locally or generally in Virginia.

Students in grades five through twelve all over Virginia are beginning to muster their bright ideas on conservation for the Tenth Annual Wildlife Essay Contest which opened on October 1st and will close on February 28, 1957. Again this year the contest is sponsored jointly by the Virginia Division of the Izaak Walton League and the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries. It is approved by the Virginia State Board of Education, endorsed by the Virginia Resource Use Education Council and the Resource Use Committee, Academy of Science.

GOLDEN GLEAMS

Character — a reserved force which acts directly by presence and without means. —Emerson.

Weep not that the world changes—did it keep
A stable, changeless state, 'Twere cause indeed to weep. —Bryant.

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And blame the mote that dims their eye!
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—Gay.

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Comment on Sports

By Pete Fritchie

Washington, Oct. 24.- The bowl football picture, as far as 1957 January games are concerned, is thoroughly confused. In fact, there is a strong likelihood that neither of the nation's top teams will be able to play in a bowl on New Year's Day.

As this is written, it appears that Oklahoma and Michigan State are almost sure to be the nation's two top teams. Of course, in football, as in every other sport, there can be upsets. Either might be knocked off before the seasons ends.

Assuming, however, that both come through the year with unblemished records, then the situation which faces the bowls is unusual. Oklahoma cannot go to the Orange Bowl but once each two years. This year the Sooners played in Miami on January 1st; they are ineligible to play again were next January 1st.

So the second-best team in the Big Seven will get the nod. That team might be a big attraction and it might not.

As far as the Rose Bowl is concerned, Michigan State is ineligible to play there January 1st. So the next best Big Ten team will have to go. That may detract somewhat from the West Coast football classic.

The Sugar Bowl is involved with state laws that permit no mixing of players on teams playing in that classic.

Maybe, then, the Cotton Bowl is the least fettered of all the major bowl attractions.

But it is clear that the restrictive trade agreements, so to speak, in the bowl picture, are highly discriminatory to the nation's best football teams some years. It is a pity that Oklahoma and Michigan State do not play this year — or that some bowl game could not be created to stage such a play-off game for what would probably decide the mythical championship.

Smile Until it Slams

Courtesy is the quality that keeps a woman smiling while a departing guest stands at the open screen door and lets the flies in. —The Kiron (Iowa) News.

About Time

About time to begin raking up the grandeur of another autumn. Then the brief respite, before shoveling the glory of winter.
—Milwaukee Journal.

Around Your Home

By Frances Dell

The question whether to plant roses in the fall or in the spring is enough to produce an argument: whentver rose growers get together. The correct answer really depends on several things, for both fall and spring plants have their advantages. It is true, however, that fall planting gives the best results in moderately cold winter sections. This takes in all of the U. S. except the extreme north and the lower south.

In the northern areas, where winter comes quite early, spring planting is preferred. In the lower south, where the winter is mild, roses should be painted when the bushes are most nearly dormant.

There are many advantages of fall planting. Soil conditions are usually better for planting and at this time of year the gardener is not so rushed by other duties. The plants are not out of the ground for long periods at a time and nurseries have a better variety to choose from. Also, fall planting gives the bushes a chance to grow into gradual adjustment.

Don't place rose bushes too close together. Plenty of space for each plant is needed to get more blooms per plant and to insure healthier top quality.

Hybrid Teas, Polyanthas, Floribundas should be planted about two feet apart, in the south they seem to do better planted about three feet apart.

Roses should be planted in a sunny place and in fertile, drained soil. Broken or bruised roots are best removed, the top should be cut back to six or eight inches.

NO SPEED LIMIT

Topeka, Kan.- While it has decidtd that the Kansas turnpike, a 236-mile four-lane toll road recently opened will have no speed limit, drivers will be fined if they exceed 80 miles an hour and it will be illegal to drive than 40 miles an hour when weather or other factors make it advisable to go slower.

A "new activation" in the relations between Moscow and Bonn was forecast by Chancellor Adenauer following the appointment of a new Soviet Ambassador to West German Government.

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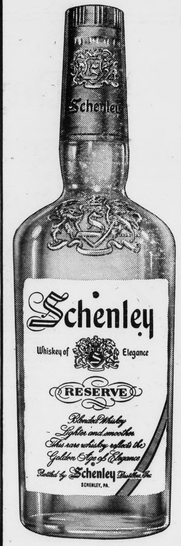

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N SPRAYING, DUSTING EQUIPMENT BEFORE STORAGE

...e still some odd jobs left ...home gardener, says S. B. ... pathologist at VPI.

...stance, he says all spray ... be washed out carefully ... spray residues. A weak ...solution will help. After ...yers have been thoroughly ...ed, coat the tank and other ...ts with a thin covering of ...ing in a dry location.

...brush a duster, but care... rub out the dust with a stiff ...brush. Some of the outside metal ...ts may be oiled, but be careful ...ot oil inside the duster as ...ed to cake the dust that ...ed next season. After the ...is thoroughly cleaned, hang ...dry place for storage.

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NEWS OF HOLLYWOOD

...John Steinbeck's novel, ...Eyeard Bar" is filmed by ...Twentieth Century-Fox, Richard ...ck and Gene Tierney will co-...The story is about a small ...ner - shuttle bus driver in ...ral California town and his ...ffering wife.

...Wynter and Robert Stack ...the leads in the film dra... ...ion of Ernest Hemingway's ...Sun Also Rises." Jenifer ...had been originally assigned ...Ingrid Bergman lead but had to with... ...due to her commitment to co... ...Mr. Hemingway's "A Farewell ...Arms," to be produced by ...Selznick, for release.

...Doris Day and Clark Gable have ...agreed to co-star in Para... ...Teacher's Pet," which is ...to start production in Apr... ...next year.

...screen adaptation of the ...Broadway comedy success, "No ...for Sergeants," will be writ... ...John Lee Mahin. Mervyn ...will direct and produce the ...for Warner Brothers.

...film "South Pacific" appears as ...it will be the product of ...trio which was responsible ...bringing the musical to theatri... ...Richard Rodgers, ...Hammerstein and Joshua ...They will combine their tal... ...Twentieth Century - Fox. ...part of the "South Pacific" ...will also assume distribu... ...the Cinema-Scope version ...Oklahoma!" for general thea... ...exhibition in this country and ...foreign markets. The names of ...have not been disclosed.

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Now what is neuritis? It is an inflammation of the nerves. The nerves run from the brain or spinal cord all over the body. Every tissue of the body is supplied with nerves. They are the electric wires that carry the current to every part of the human system.

For instance, if your finger touches something either too hot or too cold, the little tactile nerves in the skin immediately telegraph the message to the brain and the finger is immediately withdrawn. If the sensory nerves were paralyzed, they would have no feeling and would not be able to warn the brain of danger. The finger on the hot stove could easily burn off because the brain received no message of warning.

There are two kinds of nerves in the body. Those causing sensations are sensory, and those that produce movement are motor. In addition, there are nerve fibers that supply the sweat glands, and others supply the blood vessels and control them. Most nerves contain a mixture of the different types of fibers.

The symptoms of neuritis are a mixture of pain, loss of sensitivity in the skin, tenderness, weakness of the muscles and often wasting. The circulation in the parts is often impaired.

In some cases of neuritis, the pain is localized as only a small group of nerves is affected. It is known as multiple if there is an involvement of nerves over wide areas of the body.

Local neuritis may occur in any part of the body and may be due to exposure of a particular area to cold, wind, or rain.

A foot or an arm that is subjected to pressure for a long period of time sometimes becomes paralyzed. Poisons of various kinds may produce neuritis, very often of a multiple type.

Probably the most common cause of multiple neuritis is alcohol. We often see cases in which steady, but fairly moderate, drinkers are affected in this way. They suffer from numbness and prickling in legs and arms. Sometimes they have wrist or toe drop. Alcohol destroys many of the vitamins of the body.

LEFT TELLTALE CLUES

Columbus, Ohio.- A burglar, Leonard Reed, left everything but his name and address at the scene of a burglary. His fingerprints, footprints, and even his blood type were found at a burglarized home. Confronted with the evidence, Reed admitted the crime and said he cut his arm in breaking a window to enter the house.

Appomattox is a growing town.

WILLIAM AND MARY PLANS ITS PART IN JAMESTOWN FESTIVAL

Williamsburg, Va.- The historic College of William and Mary announced today plans for a special "Surveyors' Day" next year as a feature of its participation in the elaborate 1957 Jamestown Festival.

"In view of William and Mary's role in the early days of American surveying," said William and Mary President Alvin Duke Chandler's announcement, "it is altogether fitting and proper that, as America looks back 350 years to the first permanent English settlement at Jamestown, the College should take the lead in setting aside a special observance in honor of the surveying profession and the important role surveying has played in the development of the nation."

It was from William and Mary that George Washington in 1749 received his first public office — a license to practice surveying. He was appointed county surveyor of Culpeper County at the age of 17 by William and Mary.

At that time, the College was Surveyor - General of the Colony of Virginia, and the William and Mary faculty was entrusted with the duty of examining and licensing surveyors.

In addition, according to William and Mary Librarian Emeritus Dr. Earl Gregg Swem, members of the William and Mary faculty served on a number of important boundary survey commissions during the colonial period.

"The relationship of the College to surveying in the colonies was a particularly close one," noted Dr. Swem, "and this is a timely occasion for us to emphasize not only the important role William and Mary played in colonial times but also the importance of the surveying profession to the world today."

Dr. John T. Baldwin, Jr., director of William and Mary's participation in the Jamestown Festival, said that plans are already being formulated in cooperation with national surveying officials. The observance is scheduled for August 23, 1957.

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